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TILDEN DEMOCRATS CALL  
FOR TIGER'S OVERTHROW

Anti-Tammanyites from Uptown Districts Discuss Plans of Battle.

## TO ORGANIZE LOCAL CLUBS

All Members of Party Invited to Join in Movement—Wilson Asked to Aid Fight on Wigwam.

"Tammany Hall must be destroyed. The fight must be from the outside, for if these independent organizations should go into Tammany Hall with a view of cleaning it out from the inside, they would be swallowed up by the tiger in short order."

These were the words of Richard E. Weldon last night in opening a meeting of Democrats whose object is the overthrow of Murphy and Tammany Hall. The meeting was held at the Samuel J. Tilden Democratic Club, 15th street and eighth avenue, and was attended by Democrats from several uptown districts. All these men, like Mr. Weldon, the president of the club, have for many years been active workers in Tammany Hall.

Several speakers, including representatives from the 23d, 24th, 25th and 31st Assembly districts, as well as from the 19th, where the meeting was held, declared that independent Democrats, and also many Tammany men, in their respective hallways, were awaiting a call to move in a real attack on the Delmonico directorate, "the Chief," and all that the wigwam stands for.

Mr. Weldon said Tammany was discredited not only in the city and state, but throughout the nation, and that it could never again enter a municipal contest under its present leaders without courting defeat. Explaining the purposes of the organization he said:

"This organization, as it stands at present, is not old enough or strong enough to lead a movement against Tammany. Our aim is to get more members and to organize clubs all over the city and build up strong anti-Tammany organizations so that when the time is ripe, and the movement has been laid out by such men as James J. Martin and Stuart G. Gibbons—we will be able to join with them."

A motion made by J. Bronson Ker, one of the leading spirits of the organization, extending an invitation to all Democrats throughout the city to join the Tilden Club, was unanimously adopted.

Other speakers included W. J. Timmons, chairman of the Columbia University Mitchell Club; John S. Donahue, of the 24th Assembly District; John J. McDonald, of the Port Washington Democratic Club of the 23d Assembly District; Edward N. Ornitz, of the 24th, and Edward P. Sobel, of the 31st.

Mr. Sobel told of writing on November 5 to President Wilson asking him to lend his name to a new Democracy in this city and state.

"I suggested," continued Mr. Sobel, "that the new Democracy ought to be called the Wilson Democracy, and I explained to the President that the victory fight he made against the bosses in New Jersey could be duplicated with his assistance in New York, and thus abolish Tammany Hall."

Mr. Sobel said he received a reply from the President's secretary, in which Mr. Tumulty said he would take the matter up with the President shortly.

## TABLET FOR WAR CHAPLAIN.

[From The Tribune Correspondent.] Orange, N. J., Nov. 16.—In memory of the Rev. J. J. Chapman, chaplain in Washington's army during the Revolutionary War and pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of this city from 1766 to 1800, a tablet will be dedicated to-morrow afternoon on the outer wall of the church which he served more than a century ago. Orange Chapter of the New Jersey Society of the Sons of the American Revolution will put the tablet in place.

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Plan Advocated by Wilson When Governor May Cause Lively Contest.

## FIELDER TO LEAD BATTLE

Proposed Measure Would Apply Only to Primaries—Azariah Beekman in Lead for Speaker.

[From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.] Trenton, N. J., Nov. 16.—The preferential ballot, which President Wilson advocated during his last year as Governor of New Jersey, promises to furnish one of the big contests before the coming session of the New Jersey Legislature. The Democratic platform this fall, however, pledged itself to the enactment of a preferential primary ballot, and if the Democrats stick to their pledge New Jersey will again get into the limelight as the home of progressive primary legislation. In a nutshell, the preferential ballot provides for a majority nomination for office. Under the present law a man can be nominated for Governor or some other office by a minority of the voters, providing, of course, there are three or more contestants in the field, and it is to obviate this possibility that the preferential ballot was designed. It is not probable that it will be extended to elections by the next Legislature, but the advocates of the plan expect that it will prove so successful at the primaries next fall that its adoption for election will come automatically.

Under the preferential ballot the voter is allowed to vote for two names for nomination to a specific office. One of these is termed "first choice," the other "second choice." After the ballots have been counted and it has been found that no "first choice" has a majority of the ballots cast then the "second choices" are added, and the candidate having a majority of first and second choices wins the nomination. Under this system it will be possible for a candidate to have a plurality of "first choices" and yet lose the nomination, for he may find the "second choices" heavily against him.

This was one of the reforms that President Wilson hoped to put through before he went to Washington, but he did not have time. James F. Fielder, who will become Governor in January, is a firm believer in President Wilson's leadership, and he has let it be known that he intends following along the lines that Mr. Wilson did when he was Governor of New Jersey, which means that he is going to fight for the preferential primary ballot.

The contest for Speaker of the House seems to have slumbered down to the selection of Assemblyman Azariah Beekman, of Somerset. A Hudson man, probably Walter McDermott, will be made majority leader, and Mark M. Phillips, of Newark, again chosen as clerk. The Assembly caucus will be held early next month. Assemblyman Holcombe, of Hunterdon, the dean of the House, having the fixing of the date.

The Republican Senators and Assemblymen will hold a conference at the State House on Tuesday, and it is probable that some definite idea of who will lead the minority in each house will be gathered before they go home.

Governor-elect Fielder has been resting up for the last few days at Lakewood, preparing for the strenuous times that are ahead of him. He will have considerable patronage to distribute, and the officeholders have already become as busy as summer flies. One of the biggest places that he will have at his disposal is Clerk in Chancery, a \$6,000 a year plum with a five-year term. From the talk now heard, Prosecutor George Silzer, of Middlesex, will have the first chance at this post, if he cares to take it.

Ex-Mayor H. Otto Wittmann of Jersey City will have a conference with the President to-morrow relative to his acceptance of the appointment as Naval Officer of the Port of New York. It is understood Mr. Wittmann has made up his mind to take the post, but wants to find out first whether it is going to take him out of the political arena. He wants to stay in the game, and he probably will learn to-morrow that he can do so to his heart's content.

## TO SAVE INFANT ROUES

Montclair in Campaign for Child "High Life" Reform.

[From The Tribune Correspondent.] Montclair, N. J., Nov. 16.—Montclair women who have interested themselves in a campaign to make the children of this town less blasé will issue to-morrow a formal call for a meeting on December 6. The campaign will be under the direction of the Montclair Federation of Women's Organizations, and it is planned to frame a code which will serve as a guide for parents who wish to provide "safe and sane" social entertainments for their children.

The Rev. Harry Emerson Fosdick, pastor of the First Baptist Church, several months ago decried from the pulpit the baneful influences that attend the too strenuous social life of the children of Montclair. An investigation of conditions showed that he did not exaggerate.

At a recent birthday party given by the wealthy parents of a six-year-old child a caterer served the foods, a New York house provided the decorations and professional entertainers amused the little guests.

F. F. Gray, one of the signers of the call for the meeting, says:

"If the parents are not pitifully weak, thoughtless, or from a moral standpoint, criminally negligent, why are children allowed to squander nights at orgies of a so-called 'social' nature? Child labor, about which we heard so much in the last week here, is a great evil, but so far as Montclair is concerned, child debauchery is worse. There may be some excuse for some children, being out in the dawn's early light to get a living, but there is none whatever for these so-called 'social' activities."

FALL FROM WINDOW  
KILLS YALE MAN

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ate of the Yale class of '88, arrived to-night. Stein went over his story in detail with Dr. Scarborough and with Dean Jones, and Coroner Mix upon receiving Dr. Scarborough's report stated:

"There is no doubt in my mind that the young man was the victim of an accident, probably slipping from the window sill in reaching after the water bottle, which was found on the cement sidewalk beside his body."

Dr. Scarborough's investigation disclosed that Lannom had been taken ill and had apparently felt that a drink of water might relieve his distress.

Lannom was 6 feet 2 inches tall, a fact that made a fall of such a nature much more possible than in the case of a shorter man. Another fact that made the accident plausible is that the sills of the windows in Durfee Hall are lower than in the more recently constructed university dormitories. Because of family reasons Lannom's father will not come to this city for the body. Classmates of the young man will accompany it to Louisville and will act as pallbearers.

Lannom's room, 252 Durfee, is on the second floor of the dormitory, which fronts on Elm street. Directly under the window is the entrance to the offices of the athletic ticket department, which are in the basement of Durfee Hall. Lannom struck upon the sidewalk directly in front of the door of the ticket office.

Dr. Scarborough said to-night:

"From the condition of Lannom's body it was evident that he fell from his window about three hours before I viewed it, or about 4 o'clock in the morning. He struck on his head, and death must have been instantaneous."

TWO BABES STRANGLED;  
MOTHER UNDER ARREST

Woman Said to Have Carried Out Threat She Made to Her Husband.

Johnstown, Penn., Nov. 16.—Charged with having strangled her two children, boys, aged two and three years, respectively, and then attempting to hang herself, Mrs. Amelia Seabolt Banko, aged twenty-six, of Portage, was lodged in the county jail at Ebensburg to-night.

Mrs. Banko was staying at the home of her father, Wilhelm Seabolt. Early this morning she was found with a man's belt drawn tightly around her neck, suspended from a nail in the wall. She was found down before she had been seriously affected.

In the bed in the room were the bodies of the two little boys, with pieces of clothesline tightly knotted around their necks.

The necks of both boys had been broken, and the doctor expressed the belief that both necks had been severely twisted before the rope had been fastened.

Mrs. Banko had written a note, it was stated, but this had been destroyed by her father before its contents were made public. Mr. Seabolt declined to-day to say what was in the note.

It is alleged that Mrs. Banko committed the crime because her husband, who is working in Blaine, Ariz., had failed to send her money. Mrs. Banko underwent an operation six weeks ago.

Later she wrote to her husband in the West. It is said, threatening to kill the children and herself unless he sent her money within ten days. It is asserted that yesterday was the last of the ten days.

WHAD D'THEY MEAN? YES,  
THEY'VE LOST THEIR DOG

Chief, the Terror of Ticket Speculators, Deserts Job at Hippodrome.

"What d'ye mean—ye lost yer dog?" was the inquiry directed at least a thousand times yesterday at the Hippodrome management. If it wasn't that some sympathetic friend broke out in the chorus of one of the latest songs, the opening words of which, after a prolonged whistle, such as might be directed after any fleeing dog, are: "Has anybody here seen Rover?"

It was unfortunate for the Hippodrome management that its dog should disappear just when missing purrs are all the rage in ragtime and slang. Every one felt at liberty to retail one of the doggy jokes at the management's expense.

The fact remained, however, that the dog was gone. Chief, that's his name, not Rover, disappeared from his kennel in the basement of the Hippodrome between day-break and sunset Saturday. When an attendant sought to feed him in the afternoon it was first suspected that he had been so much of "America" on the stage that he had decided to see some of it.

A quiet search was begun. Chief is a valuable dog; it is said he is worth as much as \$400. He was one of two Alread police dogs imported recently by the Hippodrome management. Nelly, the other dog, retired from active duty recently to bring up a family, but Chief maintained his post in front of the Hippodrome, scaring away ticket speculators. Yes, that's right. He scared them away.

Yesterday a general alarm was sent out for Chief. The police of the East 61st street station were notified to look out for him. Chief—no connection whatever with Tammany Hall—weighs about forty pounds and has wiry, yellow hair.

Ticket speculators last night openly disavowed the dog's disappearance. It is believed that they know where the animal is.

## DANCE FOR WIDOWED MOTHERS.

An entertainment under the auspices of the Widowed Mothers' Fund, at which the programme will be made up of social dancing in its varied forms, will take place at the Hotel Astor a week to-day. Several theatrical dancers will appear, among them Lola Josephine and Wellington Cross, who are appearing in "Oh, I Say," at the Casino. Following the entertainment there will be dancing, in which the audience may participate, prizes to be awarded the best dancers.

## THOSE WEREN'T SALABLE.

From The Utica Observer.

The reported shortage of eggs may have found its cause in the number thrown during the campaign in New York.

RED HOT WAR IN BRONX  
OVER WHO'LL BE BOSS

Ex-Senator Hennessy and 'Gene McGuire Lock Horns in Leadership Race.

## PROBLEM FOR MITCHEL

Anti-Tammany Democrats in the Borough Are Anxiously Awaiting Mayor-Elect's Interference.

A red hot "scrap" has been started among the supporters of John Purroy Mitchel in the Bronx over the leadership of the anti-Tammany Democrats in that borough. It is growing so strenuous that Mr. Mitchel to all intents is going to have a rather knotty problem to solve when he gets back to his vacation.

Ex-Senator Joseph P. Hennessy, brother of the irrepressible John, and Eugene McGuire, once a "lily white" Tammany man, are the claimants of the title, and the contest that has started has stirred up as pretty a fight as has been seen in the Bronx for a long time.

Mr. Mitchel will be the one who will have to decide, however, and the anti-Tammany Democrats in the Bronx are awaiting his return with more than ordinary interest, for in addition to leading the anti-Tammany forces in the borough for the next four years, the man he selects will also have considerable to say as to the disposal of any patronage that may come up that way.

## Political Foes in Battle.

Hennessy and McGuire are bitter enemies politically, and the friends of the former Senator say that one of the reasons for this feeling is the fact that Mr. Hennessy succeeded in defeating a bill introduced by former Senator Stilwell which provided for the copying of The Bronx records after the latter became a county. This Mr. Hennessy asserted, would have caused the unnecessary expenditure of about \$100,000 by the citizens of The Bronx. According to Mr. Hennessy, this made McGuire particularly sore, because, he asserts, McGuire was a business partner of Stilwell.

So bitter did the feeling between Hennessy and McGuire become that when the fusionists prepared a ticket for the recent election McGuire refused to "stand for it" because Mr. Hennessy's name was on it. Instead, he lined up with John J. Knewitz, the Republican leader, and together they fixed up a fusion ticket of their own.

Mr. Hennessy, however, continued in the race for County Clerk, with the backing of the Progressives and the Independence League, and polled 21,500 votes, against 2,700 for the McGuire-Knewitz candidate and 2,500 for the Tammany candidate. As a result of this showing the Hennessy supporters now charge McGuire with playing into the hands of Tammany.

They point out that, according to the returns, if McGuire had stood by the fusion candidates Tammany would have been beaten, instead of electing the Sheriff, the District Attorney, the County Clerk and the Register. Mr. Hennessy lives in the 34th Assembly District, and this he carried by more than 1,000.

Friends of McGuire assert that his break with Murphy three years ago will make him the logical choice for leader of the anti-Tammany Democrats, but the Hennessy adherents make light of this claim and declare that McGuire was always willing to do business with Murphy up to this time, while Mr. Hennessy has always remained independent.

In support of this they point to the fight he made against Richard Croker for the nomination for Senator. Croker decided that Hennessy must not be nominated, but after a bitter fight, which went to the Court of Appeals, Mr. Hennessy won.

## To Drive Out Murphyism.

"I am not anxious to become the anti-Tammany leader of The Bronx," Mr. Hennessy said last night, "but so many persons sincerely interested in driving Murphyism out of The Bronx have come to me that I have no alternative but to stand by the guns."

"The idea of 'Gene' McGuire posing as a reformer is rather amusing. My information is that he is just as good a Tammany man as he ever was and would be perfectly willing to do business again with Murphy at the same old stand."

"This is borne out by the actions of Warden Clancy, of Sing Sing, who was appointed by Governor Sulzer at the request of McGuire. When Clancy was asked to help the fusion campaign with the Stilwell revelations McGuire got to him first, so there was nothing doing, being a business partner of McGuire."

McGuire is asserting that he, too, has been asked by a number of anti-Tammany Democrats to help drive Murphyism out of The Bronx, and they intimate that the call has come from men close to the new administration.

Lines are being tightly drawn in the contest, but from the looks of things Hennessy has the better of it, for if it hadn't been for the help of the Republicans McGuire would have made a poor showing on Election Day. Of course, if the fight gets too hot Mr. Mitchel may take it into his head to select some one else, but the Hennessy followers don't believe that he will.

## CARMODY TO CO-OPERATE

Ready to Aid in Testing Validity of Federal Bird Law.

Albany, Nov. 16.—Attorney General Thomas Carmody, in a letter to Dr. William T. Hornaday, director of the New York Zoological Park, New York city, expresses his willingness to co-operate with the supporters of the Federal migratory bird law to test the validity of that act in the courts. Mr. Carmody, at the request of the State Conservation Commission, recently rendered an opinion that Congress was without authority to enact this law and for that reason he believed the statute unconstitutional.

Mr. Carmody's opinion created a stir among the members of the American Ornithologists' Union, which met in annual Congress in New York city last week, and was attacked in a public statement issued by Dr. Hornaday.

In his letter to Dr. Hornaday, Mr. Carmody declares that while he is a firm advocate of extending the greatest protection possible to game and song birds, yet he is opposed to bringing about the purposes sought in the enactment of an unsound law. He points out how the objects sought to be accomplished can be realized without encountering legal obstacles.

FARM PRISON URGED AS  
SING SING SUBSTITUTE

O. F. Lewis Advises Governor Glynn Not to Rebuild the Old Cell Block.

## OTHER STATES AS MODELS

Sponsors for the New Plan Say It Would Offer Opportunity for Development of Honor System.

O. F. Lewis, General Secretary of the Prison Association, has written to Governor Glynn urging that instead of rebuilding the cell block of Sing Sing prison a farm industrial prison be erected. Secretary Lewis points out that the state since 1899 has stood committed to the building of a new prison in place of Sing Sing. Had the state not surrendered the first site chosen for the new prison at Bear Mountain to the movement for a natural park on the west side of the Hudson, and had the state not been obliged to abandon the subsequently chosen site at Winddale on the ground that the site was unsuited for a state prison, the new prison would have been well along toward completion.

It is pointed out by Secretary Lewis that in the last half dozen years a most remarkable nation-wide development has occurred for the establishment of prisons on industrial farms. New Jersey has purchased approximately 1,000 acres for a prison farm and Pennsylvania 500 acres for a central prison to replace two present prisons on limited areas. The District of Columbia is building a House of Correction on approximately 1,000 acres. Ohio is abandoning the old state penitentiary at Columbus and has appointed a commission to secure a farm site with wide acreage. Indiana State Reformatory will be abandoned within a few years and be supplanted by a farm industrial reformatory. Illinois is about to build a new state prison on wide acreage.

The State of Washington is shortly to buy more than 1,000 acres for a prison farm. Colorado, Oregon and other Western states are working their prisoners on the roads many miles from the prison. In short, the general tendency in the building of new prisons is away from the prison with restricted area, with high prison walls and one great cell block.

## Health an Important Factor.

"There are fundamental reasons for the prison farm movement," said Secretary Lewis yesterday. "In the first place, there is no comparison between the health of prisoners on a prison industrial farm and a place like Sing Sing. The State of New York has one prison farm at Great Meadow which furnished most conclusive proof that prisons should, from the standpoint of health, be farm industrial prisons. Secondly, the honor system can be well developed only under prison farm and industrial conditions."

"Whereas, at Sing Sing prison, even with a rebuilt cell block, prisoners would be locked in their cells for one-half of the twenty-four hours or more, at Great Meadow they are locked in their cells practically only during sleeping hours. The honor system, which develops a man's self-respect and makes him more fitted for leaving prison, is a direct product of the farm industrial prison, where the prisoners can be given varied occupations, trusted at a distance from the prison, and where, according to the Great Meadow records, escapes are comparatively rare."

"The farm prison also," continued Mr. Lewis, "gives an opportunity for classification, which is of fundamental importance. The great cell block, with twelve hundred cells, prohibits an adequate classification, which is the basis of the best reformatory treatment. The farm prison gives very diversified occupations. Industries can be carried on as extensively as at Sing Sing, but, in addition, all of the agricultural pursuits can be followed, thus giving an opportunity to employ during the day all of the able-bodied men of the prison, a thing which has not occurred at Sing Sing."

## Criticism of Long Standing.

Mr. Lewis believes that the state and the citizens of the state are strongly of the opinion that Sing Sing must go. For more than a generation most serious criticisms have been made of the life at Sing Sing.

While the cell block has been condemned as a relic of the punitive treatment of generations ago, the cell block is only one phase of the life at that institution, and the board of managers of the Prison Association believe that the general policy is wrong and ultimately extravagant to the state of confining more than a thousand men in a very restricted area, with only a certain number of industrial occupations, with an inadequate chance to exercise, with very inadequate classification, in a location that has frequently been pronounced unhealthy.

As to the expense of building a new prison in comparison with the possible renovation of the old prison, it has been estimated that the renovation of Sing Sing would cost \$1,000,000, and the question has been raised whether the recent developments of the honor system and the tendency to build group buildings economically would not show that a new prison could be built for not more than \$2,000,000, particularly if it were built largely by prison labor.

## INFANT DEATHS DECREASING

Co-operating Agencies Save 513 Lives the Last Forty-six Weeks.

The Department of Health report for the week ending noon Saturday shows 29 deaths of infants under one year for the city during the week, against 28 for the corresponding week in 1912, a reduction of nineteen deaths. The total deaths under one year to date for 1913 are 12,432, against 12,845 for the corresponding period in 1912, a reduction of 413 deaths.

This means that through the efforts of co-operating agencies, 513 infant lives have been saved during the last forty-six weeks of this year. During 1912, up to the week ending November 16, the infant mortality rate, that is, deaths under one year, for every 1,000 living births, was 100.2, and for the same period this year the rate is 102.2, a reduction in the rate of 6.1.

## NAMES THAT FIT.

From The Philadelphia North American.

J. Stork sells baby luggies in Philadelphia. Mr. Shurz runs a laundry in Albany and George Backus presides over a temple devoted to vinous exaltation in Scranton. Yet Shakespeare hints that names, like dreams, run by contraries.

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Mrs. Gray advertised her loss on Saturday in a newspaper, and some time on that day a newsboy called at the hotel and told the clerk he had found the jewel. He was sent up to Judge Gray's apartments, where he announced the good news to Mrs. Gray, but said he had left the

jewel at home, and had only come to find out about the \$250 reward, and off he went.

In the excitement everybody, including the hotel office, neglected to get the boy's name and address, and for a whole day Mrs. Gray felt worse than if she had not seen the youth. She was gladdened again, however, yesterday afternoon when the boy returned to the St. Regis and handed the earring over to its owner.

The boy wanted the \$250, of course, but Judge Gray gave to the boy instead a letter for his mother, which asked her to call at the St. Regis, where the reward would be handed to her. The lucky boy is Daniel Joseph Monahan. He lives with his mother at No. 221 William street. He found the jewel in front of the Great Northern Hotel, a short distance along 57th street, from Carnegie Hall.

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